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OUR LIBRARIES

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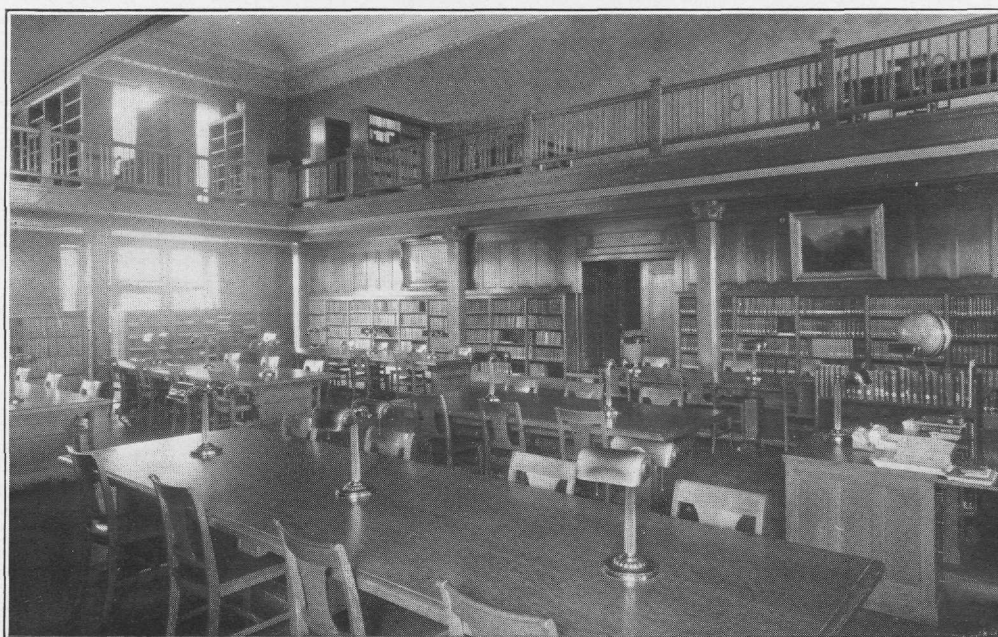
NOW that school has been opened for some time and things are running along a little more smoothly, a word to the new students as well as to the old concerning the value of the books to be found in the various libraries on the campus may not be amiss.

Certainly there comes a time in the life of every engineering student at the University when for one reason or another he finds it necessary to refer to other books than those at his command in order to supplement his knowledge on some subject. When such an occasion may arise the student need not feel lost as to where to

countries. The exchanges of the Ohio Academy of Science, of the Ohio State University Scientific Association and of the Ohio Biological Survey are deposited in the University Library.

In the Library Building may be found large well lighted reading rooms for the use of patrons to study or for reference work.

The Law Library is in Page Hall. It includes all of the United States and State reports, the English reports, the Irish reports, the latest statutes, codes, and session laws of the States, complete sets of all the important legal periodicals and an up-to-date collection of



Orton Memorial Library

Courtesy Ohio State Monthly.

go to gather the desired information. Scattered around our campus are several libraries totalling hundreds of thousands of volumes on practically every subject that the student will come in contact with while in school. And now a word of explanation about these libraries.

The University Library consists of all books owned by the University and numbers approximately 257,000 volumes. The main part of the library, known as the General Library, is housed in the Library Building. But as mentioned above, very important divisions of the Library are housed in the other buildings on the campus. A catalog of the entire collection is maintained in the General Library.

Any person is privileged to use the University Library for reference, but books may be drawn only by officers and registered students of the University.

The General Library is open from 7:30 a. m. to 9:30 p. m., Monday to Friday; Saturday from 7:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Vacation hours are from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Monday to Friday; Saturdays from 8 a. m. to 12 m. The Library is closed on legal holidays.

The University Library is a depository for the official publications of the United States and has a remarkably full collection of these documents. It also receives thousands of documents from states, cities and foreign

textbooks. It is especially well equipped for the study of Ohio law.

The Medical and Dental Library is in Hamilton Hall. This is a working collection of books, the historical books being shelved in the General Library.

Collections of books on Architecture, Engineering Drawing and Civil Engineering are located in a room in Brown Hall. This is known as the Brown Hall Library. The collection of plates filed in this library is especially valuable for the students in Architecture.

The Orton Memorial Library, located in Orton Hall, is one of the most complete geological libraries in the country. It contains about 10,000 volumes. In addition, the Ohio Geological Survey deposits its document exchanges with the library. These two collections constitute a very complete set of official geological reports from the States, foreign countries, and scientific societies.

The Botany and Zoology Library is located in the Botany and Zoology Building. The "Index to General Botanical Literature," the "Index to Algological Literature," and the card index of the Concilium Bibliographicum are in this departmental library.

Other departmental libraries are to be found in the

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Chemistry Building, in Lord Hall, in Robinson Laboratory, in the College of Commerce and Journalism, and in the Veterinary Laboratory. Smaller collections are connected with many of the departments.

The Library of the Ohio Archaeological and Historical Society, which is on the campus, is at the service of the officers and students of the University. This library is specializing in Ohio history and a very valuable collection is being built up.

It can be seen from the foregoing that a vast store of valuable information is waiting to be used and now is the time to start. It will mean much more on your quarter's grade to be able to tell the professor intelligently what you know than to let the other man get ahead of you. And last of all, if you expect to get a book to take back to your room to study, don't forget your fee card.

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